



**Austrey and Newton Regis CE Primary Schools**  
**Parent Newsletter**  
**7/5/21**



Dear Parents and Carers

I can't believe it is May already. Let's hope for some good weather for the rest of the year (better than Bank holiday Monday anyway!). I hope you all managed to attend your parent consultation appointment either by phone or google meet. If you were unable to please contact class teachers who will be happy to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Year 6 hoodies

We decided this year that it would be good for Y6 children to have their leavers' hoodies straight after Easter so that they could wear them as their uniform for the summer term. This is why they have all had the same colour to match the school uniform. They are all absolutely thrilled with them so, on their behalf, I would like to thank the FPTA at Newton Regis and FACES at Austrey for funding these. Thanks also to Miss Griffiths for organising the swift ordering and delivery.

Sports Days

Save the date! I have booked for our sports coaches to come in and run 'bubble' sports days this year on the following dates:

**Tuesday 22nd June—Wagtails and Robins**

**Wednesday 23rd June—Owls and Kingfishers**

**Thursday 24th June—Ducklings and Harlequin**

**Friday 25th June—King Eider and Mandarin**

These will take place in the mornings. It may be that each class has to have an hour each or that the two classes together can mix and have two hours. At the moment we are being optimistic and hoping for the latter as well as hoping parents can also be invited to watch. I know this is not what would normally happen and I appreciate the difficulty if you have children in different bubbles but I wanted to give you as much advanced notice as possible. If we can do this, it will be amazing to be able to welcome parents back on site as a community again. More details to follow nearer the time.

Year 6 fun days

I have also booked fun days for Year 6 on the following dates:

Thursday 8th July—Kingfishers Y6

Friday 2nd July—Mandarin Y6

These will take place on the school field and I may even drive to a certain fast food restaurant at J11 of the M42 for a take-away or their lunch that day!

End of Year Assessments

You will no doubt have heard in the media that the normal end of year assessments, phonics in Y1, and SATs in Y2 and Y6 are not going ahead again this year and schools will not be asked to report results to the DfE. As a multi academy trust, we will be giving the children formative assessments as we have been doing throughout this period but they will only be those necessary to inform us of the children's next steps and any interventions that need to be put in place. The multiplication tables check that was supposed to be done for the first time last year in Y4 but was subsequently cancelled, is optional this year. Again, we have decided to do this so we know which children, if any, will need extra support with this going into Y5.

Transition

Those of you that have children starting in **nursery or reception** in September should have received a letter about transition dates which again we are being optimistic about and hoping this will run in a very similar way to arrangements pre-COVID. We have been contacted by Polesworth High School with the date of 7th July for their transition day for Y6 but they have planned for both a face-to-face day and an alternative virtual day depending on the situation at the time. The Market Bosworth High School have planned two face to-face days on 1st and 2nd July. When we hear from other High schools I will let you know. Y6 teachers have already started having conversations with the heads of Y7 to ensure transition to High school runs as smoothly as possible for our Y6 pupils.

INSET DAY

Our final INSET day for this year will be Monday 7th June. Term dates for next academic year will be agreed at the Governor's meeting on 19th May and I will then send them out to you.

**FORGIVENESS**



**DIGNITY**



**GENEROSITY**



**TRUST**



**HOPE**



**COMMUNITY**



**Becoming the person God made me to be: living, learning, loving.**

*"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made" Psalm 139:14*